

## **RURAL AGRICULTURE HERITAGE SC MEETING #3 - MINUTES**

SC MEETING #3 -7-14-2011

### **In Attendance:**

Subcommittee Members: Dennie Arnold, Bruce Arnold, Jack Liebenthal, Katherine Shepard, Sandy Mason, Tami Presta, Jim Douglas, Bryan Ashton, Bonnie Reece  
County Staff: Angie Rutherford

Meeting was called to order by Dennie Arnold at 5:15 p.m.

Discussion was started by going over Creating a Vision for Teton County.

In the Preliminary Vision Statement: Changes were from "Preserve the unique character and heritage of Teton Valley" to "Preserve the rural character and heritage of Teton Valley"

### Guiding Principles

1. Maintain our small town feel and rural heritage (local was removed)
2. Planned growth is important to maintain our rural character
3. Balance property rights and rural character (heritage protection was removed)

### Benefits

There were no changes made here

1. Preservation of open space and rural character
2. Preservation of our small town, agricultural heritage
3. Promotes Teton County's distinctive identity

### Opportunities

1. Create incentives for farmers to farm
2. Return platted land back to agricultural production
3. Support agriculture and ranching ( changed from Provide opportunities for sustainable agriculture and local food production)
4. Facilitate the transfer of land (such as to family members) (changed from Create to

- options for land owners(e.g family land splits)
5. Explore options to protect our open lands (e.g Land District) ( to was deleted and protection to protect)
  6. Support our local agriculture through improved infrastrure(e.g. Improve and maintain roads for agricultural product transportation)

Part II - Opportunities

- 1.Integrate agriculture with housing
2. Protect Open Spaces
3. Access to Public lands and waterways
4. Convert platted land back to Ag
5. Road design and maintenance based on use (not vehicle count) (This line was added)

The next subcommittee will be held on August 2, 2011 at 6:00 p,m,

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.